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In re Application of: Hillman et al.

Title: NOVEL HUMAN INTEGRAL MEMBRANE PROTEIN

Serial No.: 09/207,161 Filing Date: December 7, 1998

Examiner: Carlson, K. Group Art Unit: 1653

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2000, and the Notice of Appeal filed December 22, 2000. The Notice of Appeal was received at the Patent Office on December 28, 2001; thus, the period of time for response is extended until May 28, 2001 by the accompanying Petition and fee. Please enter the following amendment to claim 1 when considering the accompanying Appeal Brief.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as indicated below. For the Examiner's convenience, the non-amended pending claims are also listed. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to claim 1 by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."